

Notice of Annual General Meeting
of the Sooke Region Historical Society
Sunday March 3rd at 2pm in
the Museum Service Building

The following business will be dealt with at the meeting, all members are encouraged to participate in person or via proxy (form attached).

1. Adoption of the Agenda
2. Minutes of the previous AGM
3. Financial Report: Review Engagement (copy can be found on the museum website under governance)
4. Appointment of Accounting firm to carry out the 2019 Review Engagement
5. Reports:
 - A. Historian
 - B. Executive Director
 - C. Acting President
6. Elections
 - A. President for one year to fill position vacated
 - B. Vice President for a two year term
 - C. Treasurer for a two year term
 - D. Directors: Three positions, each for a two year term
7. Constitutional Amendments
See over next page for details of proposed amendments
8. New Business

Proposed Constitution and By-Law Changes

1. Adding the “ARTS” to the constitution.

Whereas our existing constitution does not specifically mention the arts. And whereas the museum has had a long history of supporting the arts, including the founding and operations of the Sooke Fine Arts Show; and whereas arts funding bodies have said we are not eligible because the arts are not specifically mentioned in our constitution, be it resolved that:

A new section (e) is added to our constitution that says:

(e) To support the development of the arts through exhibition, presentation, performance, commission, development and production.

And further that the existing section (e) be renamed as section (f)

Our existing constitution reads:

“1. The name of the Society is SOOKE REGION HISTORICAL SOCIETY

2. The purposes of the Society are:

(a) To gather and preserve information, records, and objects of educational, historical and cultural value associated with the area, and without limiting the generality of the foregoing

(b) To establish and maintain a museum for the purpose of preserving, recording and exhibiting for public enjoyment such material

(e) To undertake other such activities, which from time to time, may be deemed appropriate.”

The above change is recommended by the board.

2. Issue of voting rights of appointees of JdF and DOS

Whereas the Juan de Fuca Electoral Area Director has raised concerns about the current wording of the society bylaws that limits the role of their representative to the following:

17. b. A liaison may be selected by the Regional Director to represent the Juan de Fuca Electoral Area, and a liaison may be selected by Sooke Council to represent Sooke District Municipality, both of whom may attend and participate in discussions at board meetings, but are not board members. They do not have the power to vote or move motions, nor does their presence count towards quorum at a board meeting. The discretionary power of articles 17.a and 17.b rests with the appointing bodies.

Be it resolved that existing section 17. b. of the society bylaws be replaced by the following:

17. b. A board member may be selected by the Juan de Fuca Electoral Area Regional Director to represent the Juan de Fuca Electoral Area; and a board member may be selected by District of Sooke Council to represent the District of Sooke. Both of these appointees may attend and participate in discussions at board meetings, as full board

members. The discretionary power of articles 17.a and 17.b rests with the appointing bodies.

The above has been presented for members consideration.